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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	1689.0290001
First Inventor	Wayne Shanks
Title	Method For The Efficient Reading Of A Population Of Radio Frequency Identification Tags With Unique Identification Numbers Over A Noisy Air Channel
Express Mail Label No.	

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
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- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Specification [Total Pages 32]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

- ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program  
(Appendix)
- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
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    - ☐ paper
  - ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
- ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Two Return Receipt Postcards (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
- ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- ☒ Other: Authorization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)  
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Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)  
Appl. No. To be assigned; Filed: Herewith  
For: **Method for the Efficient Reading Of A Population Of Radio Frequency  
Identification Tags With Unique Identification Numbers Over A Noisy  
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Inventors: Shanks *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1689.0290001

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
2. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05);
3. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3);
4. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

**Method for the Efficient Reading Of A Population Of Radio Frequency Identification  
Tags With Unique Identification Numbers Over A Noisy Air Channel**

and naming as inventors:

Wayne Shanks, and  
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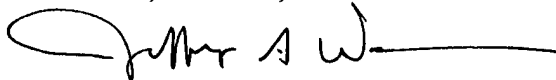
the application consisting of:

- a. An Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
  - b. A specification containing:
    - i. 24 pages of description prior to the claims;
    - ii. 7 pages of claims (27 claims);
    - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
  - c. 9 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 5A 5B, 6, 7, and 8);
5. Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form for \$ 534.00 to cover:
- \$ 385.00 Filing fee for patent application; and  
\$ 149.00 Fee for excess claims; and
6. Two return postcards.

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL****for FY 2003**

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$534.00)****Complete if Known**

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Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	385.00
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1105	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

**SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 385.00****2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims 27- 20** =	7	9.00	63.00
Indep. Claims 5- 3** =	2	43.00	86.00
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 86	2204 43	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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1502 50	2052 25	Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet			
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification			
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination			
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month			
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month			
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month			
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month			
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month			
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal			
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing			
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable			
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional			
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
1502 480	2502 240	Design issue fee			
1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee			
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner			
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)			
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt			
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)			
1809 770	2809 385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))			
1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))			
1801 770	2801 385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application			

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